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Scott getting briefed by ministry this week

by CHAD INGRAM Times Staff

Haliburton-Kawartha Lakes-Brock MPP Laurie Scott, Ontario's new labour minister, was getting briefed on her portfolio this week.

The province's new PC majority government was sworn in on Friday, June 29, where it was announced that Scott, first elected in 2003, would serve as labour

"I'm very excited," Scott said, "It's a big job to do.'

She was asked if, after so many years in opposition, there was any trepidation to her new, more prominent role.

"It's a whole different world being on the government side, I'm going to embrace it,' Scott said.

Ministers are being briefed this week, with the legislature being reconvened for a special summer session on July 11. Scott said she imagined a speech from the throne would occur the following day, and said she was not aware how long the session would

"It depends what we we need to do, legislatively," she said.

Premier Doug Ford has said that



A raft full of competitors in the annual raft race cross the finish line at the Bobcaygeon Road bridge during Minden's Canada Day festivities. More photos on page 8./CHAD INGRAM

et to build new clinic on Booth Street

by CHAD INGRAM

Times Staff

Dr. Jenn Morrow of the Minden Animal Hospital has purchased a vacant lot on Booth Street where she will construct a see TARIFFS page 3 | new, modern veterinary clinic.

Paul MacInnes, whose name may be familiar to some from his role as chairman of the Coalition of Haliburton Property Owners' Associations, made a presentation on behalf of Morrow, his daughter, to Minden Hills councillors on June 28.

Morrow purchased the Minden veterinary practice three and half years ago and as MacInnes told the room, the business

has experienced promising growth during that time.

"The Ontario Veterinary Medical Association tells us we are one of the fastest-growing vet clinics in all of Ontario," he said. The clinic has grown from a single-vet clinic to one with two full-time

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New MH fire hall officially open

by CHAD INGRAM
Times Staff

Minden Hills' long-awaited new fire hall along Highway 35 is officially open, after a ribbon-cutting ceremony during the weekend.

Discussed around the township's council table through a succession of councils and with preliminary studies completed during the last council term, the completion of the \$2-million facility marks the end of a significant project for the municipality.

"I would like to say thanks to an awful lot of people," said Mayor Brent Devolin. "First and foremost, my deputy, that's standing beside me, this represents a decade worth of work. Obviously, current staff, fire personnel, our former fire chief Doug [Schell] who was part of developing this project."

Deputy Mayor Cheryl Murdoch also extended thanks to the township's volunteer fire department.

"This has been on my bucket list for more than 10 years and it makes me very happy to be here today," Murdoch said, calling the hall "a wonderful new facility."

"I would like to say a big thank you to the firefighters, and our fire chief and our past fire chief," she said. "I would just like to say, to the firefighters, to the chiefs, this is for you. You deserve it. And I thank you for hanging in with us down at the old fire hall."

The area along Prince Street where the old hall is housed will be part of a downtown revitalization project the township is undertaking. The hall was badly damaged in the 2013 flood. Among other benefits, the location of the new hall is expected to improve the department's response times.

Members of Minden Hills council cut the ceremonial ribbon at the township's new fire hall along Highway 35 during a June 30 ceremony. From left are HKLB MP Jamie Schmale; Councillor Lisa Schell; Mayor Brent Devolin; former fire chief Doug Schell; Deputy Mayor Cheryl Murdoch; interim fire chief Mike Bekking; Councillor Ron Nesbitt; Councillor Jeanne Anthon; and Councillor Pam Sayne. /CHAD INGRAM Staff

A peek inside the new Minden Hills fire hall.





Changes may be coming for Irondale landfill site

by CHAD INGRAM

Times Staff

In late May, a group of residents from Milburn Road visited Minden Hills councillors with numerous complaints about the Irondale landfill, asking that the site be closed.

Residents contended that minimum setbacks, including from public roads, water courses and dwellings, are not being met, and said that covering of waste at the site does not take place as frequently as it should. Trees that once provided a visual buffer for a neighbouring property had been cut down by the township, and garbage often collects along the road, and sometimes in streams in the area, residents said. They also provided photographs. The residents contended that the condition of the landfill violates numerous provincial regulations.

During a June 28 council meeting, Minden Hills environmental and property operations manager Ivan Ingram refuted that claim, saying that conditions at the site met minimum requirements laid out by the Ministry of Environment.

"The site doesn't meet the same standard that many sites do, but the ministry has approved it, the ministry has agreed to it," Ingram told councillors.

"Cover is applied once a month from November to April and twice monthly the rest of the year," Ingram said. While he said staff members admit they are sometimes late in applying cover, "Staff is making a stronger effort to meet those requirements, and I think we have, this year specifically, and the fall of last year."

As for trees that were cut down by the township, Ingram said that was completed by staff as part of regular landfill operations in order to maintain a required four-way slope. He said staff try their best to deal with the garbage members of the public leave along the road.

"I'm not going to mince words," said Mayor Brent Devolin, "standards required by MOECC and Cambium [the consulting company that performs landfill monitoring] are their minimum standards and, I can tell you, in my opinion, and I think the majority of council . . . those aren't our standards. And it's not good enough. We saw . . . visual evidence of things there we're not very happy about. And we may technically comply with some of this stuff, but it doesn't pass our

"With all due respect, Mr. Mayor, it's pretty hard for staff to meet your standards when they haven't been given to staff," Ingram replied. "We follow what we're legislated to do. I cannot act if you don't tell me what you want done at those sites, so I feel that's a little unnecessary."

"This is an unacceptable situation to everybody involved – staff, the public, council," said Councillor Pam Sayne.

"For us to do inward fighting, in terms of the divisions between staff and council and public, it's not going to get us fixing the situation together," Sayne continued. "I think the public has a responsibility – not dropping their garbage along the road, it doesn't get there just by accident. The council has a responsibility. If we want to set standards higher than Cambium, then we better look beyond what Cambium is presenting us . . . We've got to also give our staff more direction on these sorts of things."

Councillor Jeanne Anthon asked that if, financially, it might be more appropriate for the township to convert the Ingoldsby landfill into a transfer station.

"In my opinion, it would save the taxpayers a lot of money," Ingram said, after explaining there is relatively little waste deposited at the Irondale landfill. Ingram said there would be some initial costs for the transformation of the site.

Councillor Lisa Schell noted that extra money would have to included in the landfill budget to facilitate such a change.

"This stuff doesn't just happen out of thin air, it requires dollars," Schell said.

The report was accepted for information, but no further action was given during last week's meeting.

re-inspection program

by CHAD INGRAM Times Staff

Minden Hills council has decided not to move ahead with a contract with firm WSP Canada to conduct a septic re-inspection program for the township at this time.

As reported earlier by the Times, during a June 14 committee-of-the-whole meeting, Councillor Pam Sayne expressed numerous concerns about the proposed contract, which was the sole bid the township received for the project.

Ontario municipalities have been mandated to create mandatory septic re-inspection programs for their residents, but what was type of inspections are performed, is up to the municipalities themselves.

There are four basic types of septic inspection. Type 1 involves only paperwork and requires no site visit. Type 2 includes a site visit, but inspectors don't actually look inside the tank. Type 3 involves a lidoff inspection of septic tanks and Type 4 includes a lid-off inspection, and then a second inspection after the tank has been pumped out.

Minden Hills had decided to use Type 4 inspections and late last year issued a request for proposals for the service.

The proposed contract included \$100,000 in one-time fees, including \$16,500 for two public information sessions the company could conduct. The inspection fees themselves would have been \$390 per property,

Sayne, who said she would not support the contract and that it amounted to an

open-ended agreement with a large corporation where much of the work would be contracted out to local people anyway.

During a June 28 council meeting, Mayor Brent Devolin said he agreed that moving ahead with the contract the way it was wasn't the path to take.

"Obviously, there were concerns raised by members of council and certainly since, the public," Devolin said. "There are some significant reservations, I would put it in a nutshell.'

"Some thoughts are maybe not to rush ahead today," Devolin said, noting that soon, council would enter the so-called "lame duck," period, where, in the year of a municipal election, councils are prohibited from making decisions regarding any major expenditures, among other activities.

"Obviously, Councillor Sayne had some impassioned points that she brought, that members of the public substantiated,' Devolin said. He added that in conversations with officials from Dysart et al, which is using Type 4 inspections, that there is high failure rate so far for septic systems in long-held cottaging areas; rates higher than 50 per cent in some areas.

"This is a game-changer in terms of how we may design the program and how it rolls out, and the other part of it is, the capacity of the people who do the repair and the fixing work, what ability we have within the county to deal with some of that," Devolin

task force, including Sayne, Councillors Jeanne Anthon, Jean Neville and staff members, will study the issue further.

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veterinarians, with possibly a third on the way. All staff, some of whom were once employed seasonally, are employed full

"Many of the seasonal residents, cottagers, are now driving here year-round to get their veterinary care," MacInnes said.

Morrow doesn't own the building on Bobcaygeon Road, the one-time Minden hospital, where the clinic is located and has purchased a lot on Booth Street, where a new, 4,000-square-foot facility will be constructed on an acre lot. It will be designed by Vaughan's Artistree Construction, which specializes in the design of veterinary clinics, built by Greystone Construction, and decorated by Minden's Sassy Digs.

"It's a state-of-the-art facility," MacInnes said, explaining it would use all-digital X-rays, making online consultation with remote specialists easy.

"The building is going to set some new standards, it's going to be extremely energy-efficient, and most exciting to me, is that it's going to be one of the first buildings in this area using the principles of lowimpact development," he said.

MacInnes said part of this will be the inclusion of permeable paving, which reduces phosphorous runoff, cools water and helps absorb pollutants.

"The building is being designed to serve the immediate and long-term needs of the clinic and the township of Minden Hills, including several exam and consultation rooms, dedicated spaces for dentistry, X-ray, surgery, pharmacy and administration, all of which are positioned around a central treatment hub," said Ben Jardine of Greystone Construction.

Some of its sustainable construction aspects will include ICF walls, oversized windows to maximize natural daylight, LED lighting, recycled rubber floors, and provisions for future solar panels and carcharging stations.

Construction is scheduled to begin this fall, with a target completion date of May,

Councillors were ecstatic about the plan. "Exciting news, certainly to see things happen in our community that are cutting edge," said Mayor Brent Devolin.

Tariffs top agenda

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scrapping the province's cap-and-trade program will be a priority during the sum-

In her labour portfolio, Scott said a priority would be dealing with the tariffs the U.S. government has levied on Canadian

"The elephant in the room right now are the trade wars that are going on with the States," she said. "Premier Ford has said,

and he's started talking with governors that border us and have the most trade . . . and we are certainly making that a huge priority, in relations there."

Scott said there have already been some job losses in northern Ontario related to the

"That's the most critical thing facing us right at the moment," she said.

Scott reclaimed her seat in the June 7 election with a commanding victory, taking 57 per cent of all votes cast in the riding.

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Please take notice there will be a Special Meeting of Council held on Wednesday, July 18 2018 at 9:00 AM at the S.G. Nesbitt Community Centre Room #3 located on 55 Parkside Street

The purpose of the Special Meeting is for Council to consider the following:

- Report #18-027 Community Services Department awarding of the Request for Proposal - CSD 18-02 Integrated Project Delivery Team for the S.G. Nesbitt Memorial Arena and Community Centre (Arena and Community Centre Renovations
- To authorize the execution of an agreement between PerfectMIND and the Township of Minden Hills for Recreational Software (Amended
- Report #18-021 Environmental and Property Operations Department awarding of the Request for Tender - EPO 18-01 Environ Monitoring and Reporting Services for the Municipality's Waste Disposal Sites:
- Report #18-045 Planning Department awarding of the Request for Proposal - BBP 18-02 consulting services for the creation of a Village of Minden Community Improvement Plan;
- Planning Department to provide an update on Report #18-043 Planning PLH2017065 Fulfillment of Condition regarding alternative options to fulfill the conditions verses a donation;
- Mr. Jay Amer, Amer and Associates Consultant regarding a presentation of the Draft Economic Development Plan; and

• For Council to proceed into a Closed Session meeting for the purpose of discussing one item pursuant to section 239(2)(k) of the Municipal Act, 2001 as amended, related to a position, plan procedure, criteria or instruction to be applied to any negotiations carried on or to be carried on by or on behalf of the municipality.

For information regarding the awarding of CSD 18-02 Integrated Project Delivery Team Arena Renovations; or the amendments to the PerfectMIND Agreement, please contact Mark Coleman, Director of Community Services at mcoleman@mindenhills.ca or 705-286-1936

For information regarding the awarding of EPO-18-01 Landfill Monitoring, please contact Ivan Ingram, Environmental and Property Operations Manager, iingram@mindenhills.ca or 705-286-1260 ext. 216.

For information regarding the awarding of BBP 18-02 CIP Village of Minden Community Improvement Plan; or the update on PLH2017065 Fulfillment of Conditions, Please contact Ian Clendening, Planner at iclendening@mindenhills.ca or 705-286-1260 ext. 206.

For information regarding the Draft Economic Development Plan, Please contact Vicki Bull, Deputy Clerk, vbull@mindenhills.ca or 705-286-1260 ext. 215.

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT PLAN PUBLIC OPEN HOUSES

Sat July 7 11:00 AM - 2:00 PM and Tues July 10 7:00 PM - 9:00 PM At the Minden Community Centre, Room #3 The Township is seeking input and comments from the business community and residents, both year-round and seasonal on the creation of the Plan. Visit www.mindenhills.ca/newsroom for more information.

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August 30 - 9:00 AM, Combined COTW/Regular Council Meeting

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Still many unanswered questions on pot legalization

Times Staff

A little more than three months before marijuana is set to become legal across the country, it's clear there remain numerous unanswered questions for law enforcement officials and local governments alike.

Staff Sgt. Liane Spong visited Haliburton County council during its June 27 meeting.

The legalization of cannabis, introduced through the federal Cannabis Act, has legislative implications both federally, with an overhaul of the Criminal Code, for example, and provincially, with the introduction of omnibus legislation known as the Ontario Cannabis Act, and amendments to other legislation, such as the Highway Traffic Act.

"Definitely, there's going to be legal implications," Spong told councillors. "First and foremost, our officers must understand both the new federal and provincial legislation related to their authority, and offences that will be put into place."

As Spong explained, the OPP has created a cannabis committee, made of up several of its bureaus and units, to focus on the operational impacts of the legislation, and a cannabis working group to study how the change may impact officers and staff.

"If I may, I would like to speak from the position of CPAC [the county's Community Policing Advisory Committee], as the chair of CPAC," said Algonquin Highlands Mayor Carol Moffatt.

Moffatt said the committee had discussed the impending legalization of cannabis, set to take effect Oct. 18, and that there were myriad concerns about potential impacts for municipalities.

"There's potential to increase municipal workloads, but because the OPP has a very integral role in the whole thing, that, I think it's important for us, as municipalities, not to work in silos around any changes," Moffatt said.

"There's potential increased costs for policing, in terms of police calls for service as we transition to the new landscape," Moffatt said, adding there could be implications to the fire code and firefighter safety.

"There's definitely an impact for bylaw, zoning enforcement at the municipal level, planners . . . " she continued.

Moffatt questioned if the county should create a working

"Should we have some sort of working group amongst the planners, CAOs and relevant department heads as needed . . working with the OPP . . . so we have a uniform landscape across

Minden Hills Mayor Brent Devolin said he thought that was a great idea. Devolin said there were also a number of specific questions that still had haven't been answered.

For example, legislation is to limit the number of marijuana plants people can have to four per household. Devolin wondered whose responsibility it would be to enforce such regulations.

Who has the primary responsibility of managing the number of plants per ... household . . . from the OPP's perspective, whose primary responsibility is that?" Devolin asked. "Is it the municipality or the OPP?"

"I would expect that what will happen for the OPP, is that we'll receive a call for service, we'll receive a complaint about another neighbour . . . and then the OPP's responsibility is to enforce the law," Spong said.

"You'll only be responding, in that sense, in a call for service?" Devolin said.

"Correct, in an enforcement capacity," Spong replied.

"So, it's a municipal responsibility," Devolin said.

Moffatt said it was these types of questions that would be integral moving forward.

"I think there's a massive public education strategy around making sure that the right concerns get to the right people," she said. "We still have a muddy world of who the right people are, so we need to ask those exact kind of questions of ourselves, of the OPP, of other levels of government, to clarify what the public needs to do, and what we need to do."

"At the end of the day, that's what we're doing with the OPP as well," Spong said. "That's why we have the working group, that's why we have the other committee."

Dysart et al Mayor Murray Fearrey pointed out that municipal bylaw officers can only enter residences they've been invited

'Our bylaw people can't go into anybody's house who denies them," Fearrey said. "So, I guess if I had six plants, and bylaw knocked at the door, I'd say no. So that's how that's going to be dealt with. We're not very well-prepared, are we?"

Devolin wondered if the OPP's committee and working group were interacting with municipal representatives in the province.

"Is there any interface with either municipal politicians, or AMO [the Association of Municipalities of Ontario], or whatever, because in every community in Ontario we don't want an ad hoc approach to how we roll this out," he said.

Devolin added that while the specific legalization date was only recently announced, everyone's known for a year and a half the transition has been coming, and that there should have been ongoing conversations.

Spong said the OPP had been working with the provincial

government and a number of associations, and she couldn't speak directly to AMO, but would relay the feedback to OPP command.

"I agree that there should be continued work with AMO, through AMO, with ROMA [Rural Ontario Municipal Association]," said Algonquin Highlands Deputy Mayor Liz Danielsen, who sits on the ROMA board. "I think in fairness to the detachment commander and to AMO and ROMA, there's been a lot of questions that have not been answered for anybody. It's hard to do anything concrete when you don't have any information we can see. I think there are still a lot of unknowns for everyone concerned."

Moffatt said the lack of information didn't mean the county shouldn't be figuring out a system.

"I don't want us to sit and say, you know, we're waiting for direction from the higher-ups," she said. "I think we need to do something now, so at least our own staff has some idea of how to pass the ball back and forth for the impending questions. People are going to call somebody when their neighbour is smoking weed on their patio . . . it's no different than drinking beer on the patio, except there's more of an odour of it, and those calls are going to come . . . and we need to know what to do with it, or just face more criticism for doing nothing."

Devolin said municipalities would require substantial funding to deal with the ramifications of legalization. While it is known that 75 per cent of marijuana revenues will go to the provinces and 25 per cent to the feds, it is unclear how much funding municipalities might receive.

Devolin said the lion's share of the provincial portion should go to municipal governments.

"For us to ramp up for what's coming, this is real money and real resources, and we don't remotely have the dough to do this," he said. "We need our share of the dough and we need it now. We need to know before the year's out."

It was agreed that county chief administrative officer Mike Rutter would convene a meeting with the CAOs of the county's four lower-tier townships.



Tiny tour

Visitors took tours of a demonstration tiny home from Bancroft Tiny Homes in Minden during Canada Day festivities. The manufacturer was invited to town by the Minden Hills housing task force, which is recommending that Minden Hills council allow a variety of housing alternatives, including tiny homes, in the community. /CHAD INGRAM



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Countdown to light up

THERE ARE just more than three months to go before marijuana becomes legal in Ontario and throughout the country, and it's clear there are still myriad unanswered questions about just how everything will work.

County councillors discussed the impending legislation, set to take effect Oct. 18, during a meeting last

The legalization of marijuana presents a number of potential burdens for municipalities in terms

of bylaw enforcement, the activities of their planning departments, and other ramifications.

In short, legalized pot will create additional work for local governments.

One of the many unanswered questions surrounding the change is how much funding

Ontario municipalities will receive to assist with associated costs.

The federal government will keep 25 per cent of pot tax revenues, while 75 per cent will go to the provinces.

Minden Hills Mayor Brent Devolin said during last week's meeting that the lion's share of provincial revenues should be redistributed amongst Ontario's municipalities and he is right. This was a federal decision, with the responsibility of designing distribution systems assigned to provinces. Municipalities should not have to bear additional costs while the upper levels of government rake in new tax revenues.

That is unfair.

There are unanswered questions for law enforcement, too. For example, while new legislation will give police the authority to conduct roadside tests to determine if people are driving under the influence of marijuana, that technology is not yet in the hands of police.

Aside from the presence of government-run cannabis stores (the closest one to Haliburton County, at least at first, will be in Lindsay), it seems likely the legalization of pot will be largely unnoticeable. Just like it's illegal to consume alcohol in public, it will remain illegal to consume marijuana in public. Just

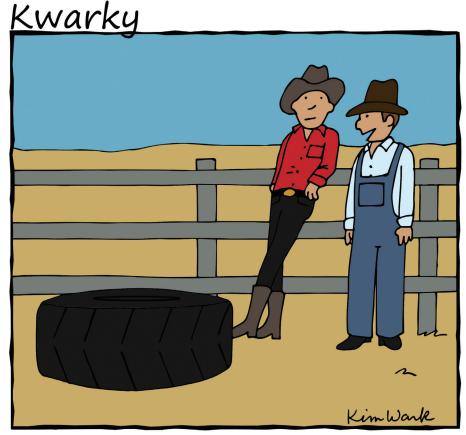
> like you don't often see drunken people walking down the sidewalk carrying bottles of booze, you're unlikely to see stoned people walking down the street taking hits from a bong. While it's been illegal in this country, marijuana is certainly

CHAD INGRAM Reporter not difficult to find and is commonly used. Depending on what source one consults, somewhere between 18 and 30 per cent of Canadian adults smoke marijuana, at least on a recreational

basis. Those who smoke will continue to smoke, likely in the places they've always smoked, and those who don't smoke will likely continue to not smoke. Again, it's not like the stuff has not been easily available since the beginning of time.

Regardless of how noticeable the change might be, with less than four months until cannabis becomes legal, it's time for the province to start answering the questions of municipalities. First and foremost, how much funding will they receive?

It better be high.



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Heavy canoes

LOT OF PEOPLE do not know this, but as a canoe gets older, it gets heavier too. As far as I know, science hasn't addressed why this strange phenomenon occurs. I suspect it is because not enough data has been collected.

The good news is I have 20 years of data to share.

Here are just some of my extensive field notes regarding my canoe over the years.

1999: My new canoe, which the brochure says is 90 pounds, seems far lighter than that. I had no trouble loading it on the car or portaging it 200 yards this morning. In fact my fishing buddy offered to help

and I told him to sit this one out as it would only complicate things. 2000: I like my

90-pound canoe for the most part. It is stable and nice to fish from. Unfortunately, they seem to be making the roofs of cars a little higher these days. I almost couldn't get the canoe atop the vehicle.

Bass Opener 2001: You know, I have my fishing buddy partake in the loading of the canoe ritual. So this year, I have decided he can have the pleasure of loading it onto the roof of the car all by himself.

2002: I have a new fishing buddy this year. He seems strong and talks a lot about canoeing and how much he enjoys long portages. Lucky for him, I am taking him to a nice backwoods lake where he can portage my 90-pound canoe to his heart's content.

2003: If I didn't know better, I would say that I am being shunned by other anglers. Perhaps it has something to do with the lawsuits brought forth by two former fishing buddies for medical expenses due to back-related injuries.

2004: I'm not sure if my canoe is getting heavier or if they are making portages longer.

2005: I measured the portage. It's the @\$! canoe. Perhaps water absorption? 2006: Got stopped by the OPP the

other day. Apparently you are not allowed to drag a canoe behind your car on a provincial highway. The officer was going to give me a ticket but he was too exhausted after he helped me get the canoe on top of my vehicle.

2009: I have grown very suspicious of canoe brochures. There's no way this

canoe is 90 pounds. Thank goodness it is easy to drag across portages. Also it's good that I can still power lift 200

2015: My plan to create a ditch to drive my car into so it will be easier to always felt a little bad about not letting drag a canoe on top has been vetoed by my better half.

> 2016: Got Jenn to help me load the canoe atop the truck. She is reconsidering the ditch idea.

> 2018, Canada Day: This morning, while placing the canoe on the top of my vehicle without the help of a front end loader, I believe I set an unofficial power lifting world record. It might be time for a lighter canoe.



STEVE GALEA Beyond 35

INOTHERWORDS

Columns and Letters to the Editor

My mysterious bush visitors

ACH SPRING at the start of bug season I receive mysterious visitors to the fringes of a bush lot I have along Highway 35. They arrive in a white van, park on the edge of the highway then scurry into the woods with black garbage bags. From a distance they seem to be digging small plants and placing them in the bags.

Whenever I try to approach to ask them what they are doing, they scurry back to the van and drive off. They wear mosquito head nets so I can't tell who they are except that they are middle age and speak what sounds like an Asian language. Usually there is a man and two women.



JIM POLING SR. From Shaman's Rock

I don't really care that they are on my property because I suspect they are gathering spring shoots of some kind for cooking and eating. But I would really like to know because it might be something interesting that I might want to cook and eat.

Various friends and family have offered guesses: fiddleheads (ours are not the tasty delicacies found on the East Coast); wild asparagus (I would have found and eaten that before them), wild leeks (a possibility).

There are many possibilities because our woods are filled with dozens of edible low growing plants that most of us know nothing about.

Someone recently raised another possibility: "Is it ginseng they are digging up?"

Ginseng? I never knew that Ontario had wild American ginseng, the roots of which have been used for thousands of years by our Indigenous people and other cultures as a traditional medicine.

We do indeed have it. It is found in the bottom half of Ontario, western Quebec and 34 U.S. states. It grows in mature hardwood forests that offer

North American ginseng is similar to the Asian ginsengs and like the Asians our Indigenous peoples used it as an important medicine for ailments ranging from fevers to indigestion and headaches.

Father Joseph-François Lafitau, a French Jesuit priest, is credited with finding ginseng in the New World. He had read about Asian ginseng in reports from Jesuits in China and believed Canada had similar climate and surroundings and started looking for it.

In 1718 he found a ginseng plant growing near Montreal and was able to identify it definitely with the help of the Iroquois, who of course had been

After that, trade in ginseng root exploded. Ginseng became a major export of New France, second only to furs. Trappers and frontiersmen made small fortunes digging it and selling it.

John Jacob Astor, the American fur baron, sold a boat load of ginseng to China, and legendary woodsman Daniel Boone is said to have dug the plants and sold loads of roots to China.

Like with so many other things, the European takeover of the New World began exhausting ginseng supplies.

Overharvesting and habitat loss have resulted in wild ginseng being declared a species at risk in Canada. It is illegal to harvest it. The penalty is as severe as a \$250,000 fine and up to five years jail time.

Our Canadian courts often are too kind and poachers generally receive a fine of a few thousand dollars and a suspended sentence.

One wild ginseng root the size of an adult finger can bring a poacher \$1,000 or more on the black market.

Ginseng scarcity is driving up prices and it has become an important cultivated crop in southern Ontario. Interestingly, some of Ontario's new cultivated ginseng industry is operating on fields that once grew tobacco.

The Ontario Ginseng Growers Association reports that it now has about 160 members producing cultivated ginseng, much of which is sold to Asian markets. Ginseng demand is increasing in Asia because of improving economies and a growing middle class.

The federal government says that Canada exported 263 million kilograms of cultivated ginseng, worth \$239 million, to Asia in 2016.

It is a valuable plant but I don't think that's what the visitors to my property were after. They were likely picking some kind of shoot to eat, much like my wife and I sometimes go looking for tender young dandelions for salad.

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letters to the editor

Government debt - it's all about credit

To the Editor,

Jim Poling wrote an interesting article about government debt. He pointed out that the debt problem is not just the amount of money owed, and the debt crisis will not be solved under the current political system.

The debt problem isn't even problematic for politicians (or bankers); it actually works for them—at our expense.

Most people, including politicians, speak as if money is still something tangible that can be physically deposited or borrowed, but money in the present system is basically credit; it is generated with a few clicks of a keyboard by making digital accounting entries. Legal tender notes and coins are merely tokens of credit.

The financial institutions basically create money by extending our collective credit to us-but all of this money is created as interest-bearing debt. That's where the real problem begins. Total aggregate debt, including principal and interest, is always more than the entire amount of money in existence.

Governments and banks depend on each other. The banks simply allocate some of our collective credit to government; this creates more money for politicians to spend. Governments have the option of letting their debts grow without any fear that the banks

can keep providing additional money—as long as we keep paying the interest. Taxpayers in Canada collectively spent more than \$60 billion last year in interest payments on all levels of government debt.

To make matters worse, inflation is like a hidden tax that erodes the purchasing power of every dollar.

The monetary system is an instrument of control that is designed to confiscate and concentrate wealth. This restricts legitimate economic activity, drives unsustainable economic growth, contributes to involuntary unemployment, and keeps us in a collective state of perpetual debt.

Money nowadays is credit. We can take control of our credit to facilitate the exchange of our goods and services.

I highly recommend The End of Money and the Future of Civilization by Thomas Greco for anyone who is interested in the subject of money. He looks at the history, discusses the problems, and suggests some possible solutions, including mutual credit clearing. Chapter 19 even describes the role that governments could play in establishing economic and financial stability.

> **James Clayton** Simcoe, Ontario

Muscle loss

GING IS NOT something that anyone likes to think about. We sure talk about it a lot. We spend a ton of money trying to avoid it. I believe we need to embrace it because no matter what we do there is

no stopping it. Thankfully, we can slow some aspects of it, such as muscle loss.

Muscle loss that comes with aging is called Sacropenia. That makes it sounds scary. It starts in our 30s. Yes, that early in life. For folks who are not active the loss can be as much a three to five per cent per decade. Being active helps reduce that number but no

one is immune to the process. The loss of muscle means less strength and mobility. The biggest concern is falls and fractures. We all know that injury from a fall later in life can be the start of a downward spiral. Once again, a healthy lifestyle is the

If you are inactive, get moving. That is the bottom line. There are so many options of strength training that exist. You may not love any of them but doing something is far better than doing nothing. It all comes back to the Jimmy Connors quote: "Use it or lose it."

I know that tired feeling. It happens to me too. The words "I don't feel like it" roll around in my head, and some social media feed gets my attention, and my ironclad plan of doing some exercise is shattered. The secret is to make an agreement with yourself to do something small. Here comes the suggestion for push-ups again. How about some squats? A cardio activity such as walking will help as well.

Our bodies need to move to stay healthy.

The other part of the muscle loss reduction equation is nutrition. Muscles need protein. Lean meats, fish, poultry, soy and dairy products are all good. Muscles also

need Omega-3 fatty acids that are found in salmon and walnuts. Again, consume the amount that is right for your body. If you're not sure what that is, start with the recommendations of the Canada Food Guide. From there assess how you are feeling. We fuel our bodies with food. If we're getting the right balance of nutrition we have

energy and feel good. Of



Practical Fitness

course the opposite is true if we're not fuelling well. Keep a journal for a couple of weeks, and track what you're eating and how you are physically feeling afterward. It's amazing how much information we miss when we're not paying attention.

Lastly, rest is important. I'm not talking about lying around on the couch at the end of the day. Go to bed and sleep. That's when the muscle rebuilding magic takes place. There is nothing like a good night's sleep.

These suggestions will help you to hang on to those beautiful muscles that keep you standing up and moving forward. It can be as simple as putting one foot in front of the other.

Something to think about.

Laurie Sweig is a certified personal fitness trainer and spinning instructor. She owns and operates The Point for Fitness. She can be reached at laurie@thepointforfitness.com.



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A spirited group of competitors approach the finish line of the raft race in downtown Minden, after setting out from Rotary Park. /CHAD INGRAM Staff



Competitors help guide their minnows during minnow races.



The HC band performed a number of pieces.



Spencer and Dan Terrberry donned some patriotic headgear for Minden's Canada Day party.

Council increases remuneration to offset end of tax break

by CHAD INGRAM Times Staff

Haliburton County councillors will increase their remuneration at the upper-tier level so that their take-home pay remains the same, in light of federal income tax changes.

As part of its 2017 budget, the federal government introduced changes to the Income Tax Act that are set to come into effect in 2019. They include the removal of an income tax exemption that's existed until now, where municipal elected officials were only taxed on two-thirds of their income.

"Historically, the one-third exemption was meant to compensate municipal elected officials for additional expenses incurred to their duties but not officially claimed," read a report from county treasurer Elaine Taylor.

Taylor's report laid out three options for councillors. Option A was to keep existing remuneration with no mitigation measures, meaning councillors would have seen their take-home income fall.

Option B was to keep existing remuneration and for councillors to bill additional expenses to the county. Option C was to increase remuneration to offset the increased level of income taxation, thereby keeping council's take-home pay the same.

As Taylor's report explained, "Remuneration for council members is composed of two pieces; per diems for council meetings and per diems for other meetings. Currently, both types of per diems are only two-thirds taxed. Both of these per diems are included in our analysis.'

The county warden is paid a per diem of just more than \$1,420 per council meeting, the deputy warden just more than \$750, and councillors each about \$670. Council meetings typically happen once a month.

For advisory committee meetings, council members are each paid \$75 per meeting, or \$125 if the meeting happens to run beyond a certain time limit. Advisory committee meetings also typically take place once a month.

For 2017, the warden received about \$20,000 in per diem payments, most members of county council in the \$9,000 to \$11,000 range, at the upper tier level.

Haliburton County council consists of the mayor and deputy mayors of each of the county's four lower-tier municipalities. Local politicians are compensated both at the lower-tier and upper-tier level. The mayors each make about \$30,000 at the lower-tier level (with the exception of Dysart et al, where the figure for 2019 will be \$26,500), and deputy mayors some-

They need to know, when they are going into it, what their compensation's going to be.

— ALGONQUIN HIGHLANDS DEPUTY MAYOR LIZ DANIELSEN



where in the low \$20,000s.

Option A would have seen an expected drop in take-home pay for the warden of about \$1,840, about \$545 for the deputy warden, and somewhere between \$160 and \$380 for other members of county council.

Option B included an estimated increase in costs of at least \$27,000; an estimate Taylor admitted was likely conservative.

Option C increases the per diem for council meetings by about \$200 for the warden, by about \$60 for the deputy warden and about \$25 for other members of council. Committee meeting per diems will increase by \$5, and by \$10 for extended

The anticipated increase in costs equate to about \$7,000 per year. County councillors receive an inflation cost of living increase each year based on what is received by staff.

Dysart et al Deputy Mayor Andrea Roberts said she preferred Option A, saying the taxpayers shouldn't have to take the hit.

"I don't like that they're changing this, but I don't want to see . . . it's going to cost the taxpayer more with Option C," Roberts said. "I was willing, this time around, to take the hit."

"I'm absolutely not willing to take the hit," said Algonquin Highlands Mayor Carol Moffatt, whose preference was Option C. "I work full-time hours for part-time pay, and I think the fairest thing is to have the net take-home pay the same."

"We all know we don't do it for the money," Moffatt said, but added it was unfair council members should be expected to take a pay decrease.

Dysart et al Mayor Murray Fearrey asked if the tax changes had been finalized by the federal government.

"I don't believe it is finalized vet," said CAO Mike Rutter. who added there had been some advocacy to keep the exemption in place for elected officials below a certain income threshold. Rural municipal politicians are typically paid at a rate lower than their urban counterparts. However, local politics in small communities is often considered a part-time job. while in cities it's considered full-time work.

"Is it not something the new council should decide?" Fearrey asked, in reference to the municipal election taking place province-wide Oct. 22.

"I think we should decide for the new council," said Highlands East Deputy Mayor and County Warden Suzanne Partridge.

"I agree," said Algonquin Highlands Deputy Mayor Liz Danielsen. "I think we should decide for the new council, so they're not put in a position of giving themselves a raise."

"They need to know, when they are going into it, what their compensation's going to be."

Danielsen also preferred Option C, indicating she personally couldn't afford a cut in compensation.

"When I quit working in order to do this, there was a point beyond which I couldn't go, and I couldn't afford to take a

Ultimately, the majority of council favoured Option C, with Roberts and Fearrey, both preferring Option A, voting against the motion.





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Strengthening shoreline protection in the county

by CHAD INGRAM Times Staff

Haliburton County council is taking steps to increase environmental regulations in shoreline areas, in addition to the county's existing shoreline tree preservation bylaw.

During a June 27 meeting, councillors discussed what kinds of changes might be put in place.

"For the last year, we've had conversations at planning committee about shoreline preservation, and is shoreline tree preservation enough, or does it need to be the next logical step forward, and what does that look like," said planner Charlsey White.

The county's shoreline tree preservation bylaw prohibits the cutting of trees within shoreline areas, which means 30 metres back from the high-water mark. A new bylaw the county will create will include more regulations surrounding activities in shoreline areas, and likely include greater fines.

A staff report entailed a number of options for potential regulations, including protecting all natural vegetation, and specifically native species, along with trees within the 30-metre setback.

Another option was to regulate site alteration within shore-

line areas, which, as White explained, includes "areas that the slope has changed, the grade has changed, people bringing in rocks and throwing it on that area, sheds, boathouses, all of those things.'

Other options included the regulation of pesticides and fertilizers; the clearing and cleaning of land; and public



I think if we're going to go through a process like this, it's going to take months and years to get it done. So, what can we do fairly quickly, as county council, to tighten it up?

— DYSART ET AL MAYOR MURRAY FEARREY



"I am concerned that we might be considering issues like noise, vibration, odour, dust and even outdoor illumination," said Algonquin Highlands Deputy Mayor Liz Danielsen. "For me, right now, it would be enough that we control the

Dysart et al Mayor Murray Fearrey said he'd like to see a strengthening of the existing bylaw in the short-term, and a public input process around the creation of a new bylaw in the long-term.

"I personally would like to tighten up things quickly here," Fearrey said. "I think if we're going to go through a process like this, it's going to take months and years to get it done. So, what can we do fairly quickly, as county council, to tighten

Minden Hills Mayor Brent Devolin was for a slower, progressive approach to shoreline regulations that may include restrictions on site alteration.

"I think we need to be cautious, take an evolutionary path," Devolin said. "It's complex on some levels, and some of us, at the lower-tier municipalities, we already have bylaws dealing with some of those [options], and some that don't."

Ultimately, Devolin said the county and its lower-tier municipalities are bound by cost when it comes to what they're able to enforce.

"At the other end of the scale, it's a bureaucratic nightmare to oversee," he said. "We're charging municipalities with bylaws in terms of enforcement and hours that are required to

"Is the day coming, I think in my lifetime, that site alteration [regulations] will come about, I do," Devolin continued. "But I think we take a slow, incremental progress with some things we do in the interim that are not bureaucratic and costly and we can hit the ground now."

Danielsen said the county needed to deal with site alteration control.

"I disagree," she told Devolin. "I'm not saying that some of it can't be done incrementally, but I do think we need to look at site alteration. I think that's a big aspect of some of the damage that's being done to some of the lakes.'

Devolin said he thought the inclusion of site alteration control would require the hiring of additional staff.

"From my perspective, that's the size of the ticket," he said, "and I'm not against it philosophically, but that's the size of the cost.'

"I think the time has come that if we need to create positions to ensure this kind of bylaw is enforced properly, that our biggest criticism is enforcing, then we need to acknowledge that and move forward in that direction," said Algonquin Highlands Mayor Carol Moffatt.

A new draft bylaw will include protections for more vegetation types within the 30-metre zone, site alteration control measures clean and clear provisions, such as prohibiting the on-land storage of derelict boats, cars, etc.

Councillors agreed that trying to regulate the use of pesticides and fertilizers, as well as "public nuisances" would prove futile. That process will take a number of months.

In the short-term, staff will bring options for strengthening the existing shoreline tree preservation bylaw before council.









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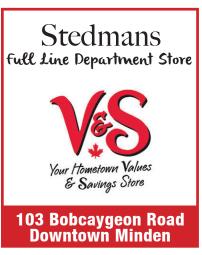
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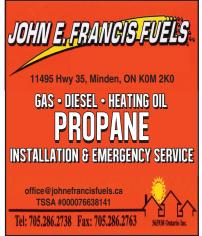












Near tragedy on lake offers lesson

by DARREN LUM

Times Staff

South Lake cottager Spiro Papadatos has seen his share of irresponsible things done on the lake in his seven years of cottaging. However, several weeks ago, he witnessed a mistake that could have had severe consequences.

Papadatos was on his boat fishing South Lake on a quiet May evening, when he was called over by neighbours. They had seen a capsized canoe and two men and two children in distress near a weedy area at the north end of the lake.

The neighbours weren't able to help right away as they needed to get their boat key.

When I pulled them in the boat I was swearing a lot. Just because if [I had arrived] five minutes later I'd be pulling lifeless bodies out," Papadatos said.

One of the men, who he said was ingesting water while attempting to keep one of the babies above the water, was in a bad way. He could see the man was breathing shallowly and had blue lips and his eyes were bloodshot. A few minutes later, paramedics arrived, thanks to Papadatos's call to 9-1-1.

Papadatos said he's telling this story at the behest of his wife. He said this incident was the result of an irresponsible decision to not wear life-jackets and can serve as a lesson for others.

From what Papadatos observed, the canoe and the life-jackets, which were worn by two women, were old and out of date. Some passengers did not have life-jackets on, though witness statements differ on who was or wasn't wearing one.

The family seems to have been renting a place on the lake, Papadatos said. He said the incident happened not more than 200 yards from the cottage they were renting.

The incident left him frazzled.

"I couldn't sleep that night," he said. "My nerves were kind of a mess. It could've been worse. It was preventable. That was the thing. It wasn't a freak accident. They put too many people in the boat. They didn't have life-jackets on. Maybe they don't understand that canoes are very tippy so you have to be prepared

Papadatos, who has two young children himself, said boating

"I wouldn't let my kids go out in my big boat without lifejackets. In a canoe, I wouldn't bring them out because canoes are tippy and definitely not with six people," he said.

A day after the rescue, he said the family visited him to express their appreciation with chocolates and words of thanks. They told him the two people taken to hospital were better and offered him a place to stay at their permanent residence in North

He acknowledged their thanks, but told them, "Be safe. I hope you learned a valuable lesson."

Later in the day, Papadatos left for his Newmarket home after a nine-day stay at the cottage. It appeared no one else was at the residences between his cottage and the rented cottage where the family was staying. He didn't see any boats tied at any of the docks across the lake. As the saying goes, timing is everything and for the visiting family, Papadatos's timing was crucial to averting a tragedy.

His account of who was wearing life-jackets differs from information gathered in the OPP investigation, which resulted in

OPP Staff Sgt. Liane Spong said this investigation's focus was on "what law could be enforced here."

Transport Canada outlines the specific law related to personal flotation devices, or PFDs, and life-jackets.

It states that people are required by law to have one life-jacket or PFD on board for each person on a watercraft. This includes human-powered craft.

For children, it states "children should be within arm's reach as well as wearing a proper flotation device at all times. A lifejacket or PFD must have a label stating it is approved by any of the following agencies: Transport Canada, Canadian Coast Guard and Fisheries and Oceans Canada."

"The officer made their determination based on their examination of the life-jackets and the scene they were presented with and what they determined," Spong said.

The police investigation included a statement from another witness on shore, who saw life-jackets.

Papadatos told the Minden Times he gave his statement to the OPP a little more than a week ago.

Spong said, "Further investigation as a result may follow that." She added that the police recommend life-jackets and PFDs be worn while on the water.

"It is dangerous to assume (regardless of what the situation that would have been reported) that you'll be able to find and put on and fasten a PFD in the water," Spong said. "Even if someone just had it with them, because there can be all kinds of factors that could affect that, generally speaking. You could have adverse wind and wave conditions. It makes it difficult. You could have an unexpected fall. Someone could be injured and of course cold water could seriously impede your ability to put on and fasten something."

Although there are differing accounts of how many people were wearing life-jackets, the message everyone wants to be learned is that life-jackets and PFDs save lives and are most effective when worn.

"I think at the end of the day the message for the public is never underestimate how much protection a flotation device can give you. It's called life-saving equipment for a reason and that's why we promote that they be worn," Spong said.



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- OPP STAFF SGT. LIANE SPONG



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Upcoming Events On Your Lake

Send your lake events to classifieds@haliburtonpress.com

Lake Kashagawigamog LKO Gives Back: First Annual Fundraising **Golf Day**

When: Saturday, July 7

We will be fundraising to give back to our local communities!

This promises to be a great event for all level of golfers as it will be a golf scramble - a format for golf tournaments emphasizing fun. Time: 8 a.m. for 18-hole golfers, 10:30 a.m. for 9-hole golfers

Lunch: The barbecue will be on with gourmet burgers (veggie option) salads and desserts

Venue: Bancroft Ridge Golf Club - 30 Nicklaus Drive, Bancroft. Contact the clubhouse 613-332-4563 or www. golfbancroftridge.com

Cost: \$65 for 9 holes and \$85 for 18 holes - which includes green fees, power carts, lunch, prizes and a \$10 donation per golfer for the Minden Food Banks and Haliburton 4Cs Food Bank. Online registrations on the LKO website (www.lko.ca) by no later than July 2, but early registration is appreciated for planning purposes.

Miskwabi Area Community Association (MACA)

Annual Meeting - Saturday, July 7 11 a.m. at Airport Strip (Across from Miskwabi Boat Launch, Trapper's Trail) Bring your own chairs. BBQ to follow. ***Rain Day is Sunday, July 8**

Glamor Lake Cottagers' Association

Annual General Meeting Saturday, July 7

Gooderham - Robert McCausland Centre Doors open 9 a.m. Meeting 10 a.m. to noon

Brian Cain, President GLCA, 705-447-2018

Salerno (Devil's) Lake **Cottagers' Association**

Further details on all our events can be found on our website home page www.SDLCA.ca under "2018 Events"

Dock Sale! - We are doing it again this year on Saturday, July 14 from noon till 3 p.m. Remember, one person's trash is another person's treasure!

Concert On The Lake – The Salerno (Devil's) Lake Cottagers' Association presents Claire Rodger with Alan Cohen on keyboards and Bruce Griffin on bass, Live in Concert. Our Concert On The Lake this year will be on Saturday, July 14 at 6:30 p.m. on Salerno Lake. Tickets can be purchased in advance on the event page under www.SDLCA. ca/2018 Events/Concert On The Lake at the same \$10 price. Children under 16 are free. In case of harsh weather, the performance will be held at the Irondale Historical Church. For further information, venue updates, contact Doug Rodger by email rodger.douglasa@ icloud.com or at 705-447-2896. Please leave a message if no one answers. Rain or shine, there will be a show!

NEW Shock On The Dock - Lakeside Learning – The SDLCA is bringing an interactive 1 to 2 hr workshop designed to increase the awareness and understanding of an AED (Automated external defibrillator). Seconds truly matter with sudden cardiac arrest and we want you to be prepared and empowered in an emergency! Being hosted dock side on Salerno Lake on Saturday July 21th at 11:00 am location details will be sent to participants via email. Active SDLCA membership required to participate. Register online at www.SDLCA.ca / 2018 Events / Shock On The Dock

Kawagama Lake KLCA (Kawagama Lake) Annual General Meeting (AGM)

July 7, at 10 a.m.

Guest Speaker Heather Auld will speak about Climate Change and how it affects lakes in our area. This presentation is offered free to all members. It will be held at the Dorset Recreation Centre in Dorset. Non-members can purchase a membership to hear the talk. KLCA (Kawagama lake)Annual Regatta,

Aug. 4, starting at 11 a.m.

Our annual Regatta is an opportunity to meet new people of all ages and engage in some friendly competition. There are events for all ages including many different canoe and swimming races, kids beach games, arts and crafts, food, raffles and more. This takes place at Moorlelands Camp on Kawagama Lake. It is followed by a professional Fireworks display at dusk in the Bay near the Marinas. Donations can be made online atwww.klca.

Moore Lake Property Owners Association

Annual General Meeting

Sunday, July 8 at 9 a.m. Summerkiss Restaurant at Moore Falls

Annual Golf Tournament

Sunday August 5, 8 a.m. Beaver Brook Golf Course in Minden

South Lake Association of Cottagers and Residents

Annual Golf Tournament

Saturday, July 28

Location: Haliburton Highlands Golf Course at 1 p.m.

Best Ball Format (so golfers of all levels are welcome. Sign up as a foursome, a pair or individually) 9 holes of golf

Ride on cart, Dinner, Prizes (donations of prizes or if you wish to sponsor "longest drive or closest to the pin" would be greatly appreciated) All for only \$55.00 a person! Contact Patti Goreski (1096 Thistle Lane, 705-286-3108 Cell: 905-242-8214) or Lori Sparks at 416-550-3966 for further details.

Halls/Hawk Lakes **Property Owners Association**

HHLPOA Golf Scramble

Friday, August 10 Contact Peter@Hallshawklakes.ca for more

Little Glamor Lake

Annual General Meeting,

Saturday, July 21, 9:30 a.m., Gooderham Community Centre

Soyers Lake **Ratepayers Association**

Annual General Meeting

Saturday, July 7 at 10 a.m. at the Fish Hatchery on Gelert Road

Fun Sail

Saturday, Aug. 4 (No Wind Date-Sunday August 5). Collect at the north end of the lake

Kushog Lake

Kushog Lake picnic:

Sat., Aug. 4 - 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. rine Spring Valley Resort, Hwy 35 at Pine Springs

- Decorated Boat Contest: Sail Past at 11 am Land & Water Activities for Kids & Adults
- Swap table: Swap your puzzles, games,
- books, etc Bring some money for refreshments (and your membership). Also bring lawn chairs, bathing suits, your neighbours and friends.

Call Susan at 705-489-2627 for further information and to volunteer to help out. Life on Kushog Lake photo contest Deadline: Email your high-res photos to photos@ kushoglake.org. See www.kushoglake.org for contest rules.

Drag and Spruce Lakes

Annual General Meeting

Date: Sunday, July 8 Time: All members meet at 9:30 a.m. Location: Haliburton Curling Club Area directors meeting at 8:45 a.m.

Ced Hurd Memorial Swim

Saturday, Aug. 4

Registration: 9 a.m., Race Start: 10 a.m. Coordinators: Aimee Fink 705 519 240-5402, Christine Young 705 457-3622 Location : Leinauer's Beach

Novelty Swim Day

Saturday, August 4

Location: Podmore Beach Time 2 p.m Co-ordinators: The Booth Family 705-457-

"Please bring your kayaks with you."

Fun Day and Hot Dog BBQ

Sunday, August 5th

Location: The Fish Hatchery, 6712 Gelert Road Time: 2 p.m.

Coordinator: Brian Hentschel 705 457-1022 (If rained out the alternate day is Monday, August 6th at 11:00 AM) Call Barb for confirmation or check website.

Twelve Mile, Little **Boshkung Lakes Association**

Saturday, August 11, 12 to 4 p.m., Twelve Mile Lake Beach, Chambers Rd.

Canning Lake

Sunday, July 8 (9:30 a.m. for socializing) Meeting at 10 a.m.

At Rigney's Roost, 1037 Hamlin Lane Golf Tournament, Blairhampton

Saturday, July 21 - 1 p.m. at Blairhampton 9 holes - prizes - gather after in the

clubhouse for refreshments Golf Tournament, Blairhampton

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Kayak Canning

Saturday, July 28 - Meet at 9:30; 10 a.m. start Meet on the water at the Lithgow waterfront (west side of the big part of the lake along the shore just west of the point) at 9:30 am. Social paddle along the shoreline with lunch at noon at the Bacik cottage.

Family Fun Day ** new time**
Saturday, Aug. 4, 11 a.m. to 1 p.m.

Ingoldsby Park is where the fun is on Family Fun Day. Games for kids and adults, a raffle table (5 free tickets per family) and a free

Sailing Regatta

Sunday, Aug. 5 - 10:30 am for a 11 a.m. start All boats and skill levels are encouraged to come out for a friendly sail. Meet by the double orange markers in the big part of the lake for an 11 a m start

Horseshoe Lake Property Owners Association

Rock bass and pike derby

When: Sunday, Aug. 5 (rain or shine) Where: Muirhead Cottage, 1258 Reynolds Road (705-286-6593.)

The derby is for children and teens up to 18 years of age. Cost is \$2 per entrant. Bring your rock bass and pike (LIVE) to the Muirhead cottage, throughout the day, to be weighed. Final weigh in and prize ceremony is at 2 p.m. Fish fry, hot dogs and cold drinks will be served.

Boat Parade

When: Sunday, Aug. 5. Meet at 9 p.m. Where: in front of the big rock on Shyuler's Island. Call Randy Ward for more information at 705 285-4364.



Saturday, July 7, 2018

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705-457-8556

info@katiesrun.ca

www.katiesrun.ca

The Healthy Lakes Contest

More than \$5,000 in prizes to be won - including \$1,000 cash!

Septics: The Basics

Septic systems are the number one polluter of our lakes and rivers.

The more efficiently your Septic System operates, the less pollution goes into the environment.

The 2 secrets to Septic Health and minimizing lake pollution are: **Bacteria and Time**

Bacteria –Never let anything go down the drain that kills the good bacteria in your system – your system need these bacteria to digest the waste before the water goes back into our water table

Time - Your system needs as much time as you can give it to digest the waste you put in before the next load of water arrives. Remember – one drop in = one drop out of your system.

Give your system time by Minimizing Water Use and Spreading It out over Time.



ADD A PUMP-OUT TO THE CALENDAR

Every system is different, but don't put off getting your system pumped every three to five years - more frequently if your septic tank is older or single compartment. Both sides of the tank (if two chambers) should be pumped out every service interval. The only time your septic system isn't full is right after it's been pumped. If you can't remember the last time your septic tank was pumped out, it's time to have your septic tank pumped out.

Pay attention to this tip to answer next week's question!

Shorelines: The Basics

Without a liver your body would not be able to filter toxins and would die. A Natural shoreline is your lake's liver.

Maintaining and re naturalizing our lake shorelines is one of the 2 most important actions that we can take to protect our lakes. Natural shorelines filter out nutrients such as phosphorous before they get into our lakes and cause algae blooms, weed growth and decreased fish populations. They also reduce erosion and flooding and increase habitat for beautiful creatures such as butterflies, birds, fish and frogs.

90% of life in your lake depends on a Natural shoreline with deep rooted native trees and shrubs.

If 75% of your lake's shoreline is not natural your lake is headed for trouble.



SAY NO TO PHOSPHOROUS

Phosphorous provides nutrients for weed and algae growth (yep, like those dreaded blue green algae blooms). Deep rooted native plants act as a filter for phosphorous, keeping it out of the lake. Grass to the lake, on the other hand, doesn't filter much, which increases weed growth and the chance of algae



Pay attention to this tip to answer next week's question!



This Week's Prizes Are:



Two \$50 gift certificates to **Emmerson** Lumber

PLUS \$25 gift card from Northern Expressions, \$25 gift card from Lockside Trading, one-year supply of EcoEthic septic treatment, a gift card for PJs from Country Pickin's and barbecue paddles from Walkers Home Hardware Haliburton

The Healthy Lakes Contest brought to you by:









This Week's Question:

What is the best way to reduce erosion along my shoreline?

How to Win:

Email your answer to this week's question by 5 p.m. Monday, July 9 to chacontest@canoefm.com. The draw will happen on Friday, July 13 at 4:30 p.m. and the winner will be announced live on air on 100.9 Canoe FM and in this space next week. (Only correct answers will be entered in the draw).

Play Each Week!

All qualifying ballots will be entered in a grand prize draw of \$1,000 cash to be held Friday, Sept 7, 2018!

Congratulations!

To Marlene Wiseman

Who gave the correct answer to: Should I spend my weekends cutting my grass by the shore?

Class of 2018



The class of 2018 with last names from A-K: Madison Allaire, Matthew Allin, Tori Allin, Jacob Allison, Kendra Anderson, Kara Barry, Evelyn Beachli, Matthew Beatty, Joshua Bellefleur, Liam Bergman, Austin Billings, Kayla Bird, Brenden Black, Joshua Boice, Lucas Bortolussi, Sara Bull, Margaret Caballero-Skinner, Andrew Carmount, Charles Cary, Hannah Casey, Nickolas Chinery, River Christiano, Kristie Clements, Kyle Cooper, Alex Cundy, Taylor Davies, Cassidy Davis, Jesse Davis, Emily Domerchie, Christopher Draper, Andre Dulong, Carley Duncan, Noelle Dupret Smith, Cameron Espina, Nolan Flood, Aidan Garbutt, Keagan Gillam, Jake Graham, Ian Griffin, Jacob Haedicke, Jenna Hamilton, Jonas Hill, Madeline Hopkins, Jacob Hudson, Shaina Hunter, Cullen Johnston, Claire Karaguesian, Mikaela Kauffeldt, Alexander Kim, Emily Klose. /JENN WATT Staff

Grads advised to 'savour this moment'

JENN WATT

Editor

Necks craned and eyes gleamed as friends and family watched the Class of 2018 enter the Haliburton Highlands Secondary School auditorium on Thursday evening.

The students followed piper Andrew Mansfield for the special event – a long-held tradition. Teacher Brett Caputo ushered them through the correct door, reminding them to slow down and take it all in.

This is the beginning of something important, vice-principal David Waito told the grads. Commencement is a rite of

As is his tradition, principal Dan Marsden delivered his speech using lyrics from popular musicians such as Carrie Underwood and Ludacris. He said life will deliver curveballs and what mattered was how you responded to them. "Live by choice, not by chance," he said, before advising the students to recognize you only graduate high school once.

"There is a last time for everything. Savour this moment." The message of mindfulness wasn't lost on valedictorian

Owen Patterson Smith, who used his time at the podium

to put the last 18 years in perspective globally and locally. During the grads' lives, massive political change has happened, he said. He chose to focus on the positive changes, including improvements in literacy, green technology and the advent of the smartphone.

"In 2000, nobody would have guessed that we would have the ability to take photos on our phone and send it to someone in a matter of seconds. My parents say they used to have something called a roll of film in your camera," Patterson Smith said to laughter from the audience.

His is a generation that "snaps and tweets" with a language of their own. "Thank God for spellcheck," he joked.

Like his teachers before him, he reminded his peers that life goes by quickly. The last four years of high school had gone by in a blur.

Today's graduates need to find their place in the world and work to make sure the next generation is raised with safe food, clean water and fresh air.

"It's important that we all take care of ourselves," he said, adding remember to smile and be kind to others.

Check out next week's Haliburton Echo for the full Honours and Awards section.

Owen Patterson Smith wrapped up the events of the evening - and of the last 18 years - into a meaningful message in his valedictorian address on Thursday evening.





Valedictorian Owen Patterson Smith evaluated the last 18 years in his speech before the graduating class of 2018. He noted that international literacy rates have gone up, advancements in green energy are promising and he marked the advent of the smartphone as being one of the most important societal changes during that time. /JENN WATT

Class of 2018



The class of 2018 with last names from L-Z: Jordan LaPierre, Michael Lessard, Camraen Little, Samuel Longo, Dawson MacDuff, Matthew Manning, Hayden Marra, Connor McAlister, Melinda Meharrie, Rebecca Millar, Skye Miscio, Sydney Moore, Mac Moynes, Rodney Neal, Dawson Nimigon, Carter O'Neill, Emily Parish, Owen Patterson Smith, Adrien Petric, Alexander Petrie, Morgan Phillips, Jackson Picco, Devyn Prentice, Ryan Prentice, Mia Quigley, Darick Reid, Cailyn Robinson, Savannah Robinson, Sulyen Rondeau, Nicholas Rowden, Tymen Ruyter-Robertson, Benjamin Schmidt, Zak Shantz, Jillian Sharp, Kailynn Sikma, Jesse Sisson, Miranda Smith, Owen Smith, Seth Smith, Shelby Stamp, Shelby Stephenson, Katie Stinson, Alec Stoughton, Brendan Taylor, Christopher Trask, Trevor Turner, Lauren Urquhart, Brandon Verstege, Samantha Vick, Brian Wheeler, Zack Williams, Jason Wood, Eric Wootton. /JENN WATT Staff

Soon-to-be graduates make their way through the halls of Haliburton Highlands Secondary School to their commencement ceremony on Thursday evening.





Ryan Prentice received loud applause and cheers from the audience as he made his way across the stage for his graduation on June 28 in Haliburton. /JENN WATT Staff

Learning disguised as fun in rollercoaster and catapult workshop

by SUE TIFFIN
Times Staff

Collaboration was in full force when 30 kids, and their parents, gathered in the Minden Hills Cultural Centre to take part in the second annual Mini Makers Engineering Day. The kids, aged six to 12, were completely engaged in two workshops about Extreme Rollercoasters and Crazy Catapults, led by University of Toronto engineering outreach staff and organized by the Haliburton County Public Library and Minden Hills Cultural Centre.

"They were a really excited group," said

Sonila Badar, a third year computer science student and part of the U of T engineering outreach staff. "Everyone here was so into the activity. It was great that the parents were here, too. We were just happy to see the kids enjoying the activity. We know we did our job when the kids are happy."

In the Extreme Rollercoaster workshop, children learned about the engineering design process, and while designing, building and testing model rollercoasters using materials like foam and tape, applied the laws of physics and principles of design during group work.

In the Crazy Catapults workshop, children discussed how force and energy affect mo-

tion and then tried it out themselves while designing and building catapult mechanisms.

"I think it was really well received," said Noelia Marziali, community of making animator with the library.

"The kids learned something about engineering, and maybe learned even more by working together. It's learning designed as fun."

Like the Mini Maker Series programming that Marziali leads weekly throughout Haliburton County, the Mini Makers Engineering Day was offered completely free to kids. The regular series, open to kids aged six to 12, currently runs at the Haliburton County Public Library branches in Minden, Dysart, Wilberforce and Stanhope.





Using a few materials that included foam and, in some cases, a lot of tape, kids taking part in the Engineering Day built rollercoasters to better understand the design process.





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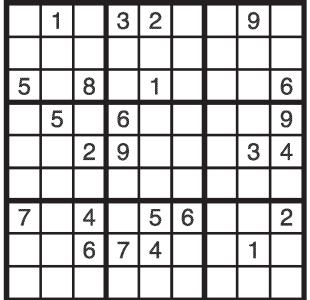
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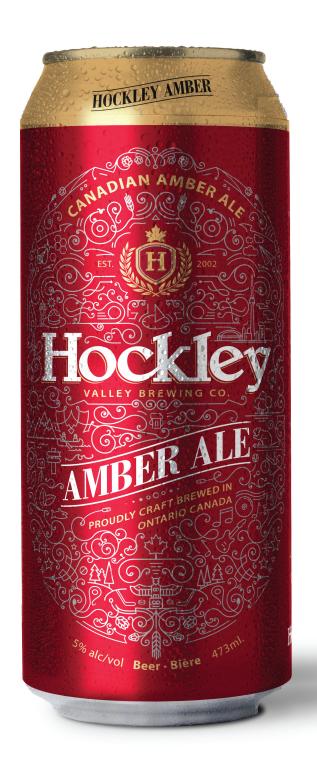
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Answers on page 20





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UPCOMING

Community **Events**

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Introduction to Growing Raspberries

Do you have an unruly raspberry patch that doesn't produce much fruit? Join us to learn how to get more fruit vear after year!

Presented by: Barbara Kraus, Haliburton County Master Gardeners

When: Thursday, July 5 10 a.m. to 12 p.m.

Where: Eagle Lake Community Garden, 2405 Eagle Lake Rd. (County Rd. 6), in Eagle Lake Cost: \$15 at time of registration

Register online at abbeygardens.ca or contact Cara at 705-457-4769; email cara@abbeygardens.ca.

This year the DigIn! series is being offered in partnership with the Haliburton Highlands Community Garden Network at community garden locations in Haliburton County.

Jazz at the Museum VI:

Ernesto Cervini's Turboprop

Presented by Canoe FM's Jazz at the 45th

This 2018 Juno nominated sextet, is "innovative and electrifying with infectious energy."

When: July 7, 7:30 p.m. - two amazing sets of all star, all Canadian jazz

Where: Haliburton Highlands Museum - 66 Museum Road Tickets: \$30 (cash only) Available at CanoeFM (705-457-2760) and the Haliburton Highlands Museum (705-457-

Net Proceeds to the Haliburton Highlands Museum

Kennisis Lake Cottage Owners Association: Art on the Dock

When: Saturday, July 7, 10 a.m. to 4 p.m., Sunday, July 8, 10 a.m. to 3 p.m.

Studio type four featuring 37 artists and artisans at 17 locations around Kennisis Lake. Exhibitors will be showing and selling their fine arts and crafts on their docks, decks and in their Cottages, lofts and garages. Visitors are welcome to tour the lake by boat or by road.

Art on the Dock signs will designate the locations. https:// www.klcoa.org/events/art-on-the-dock/

Annual Torch Run

On Saturday, July 7, the local Special Olympics teams, along with the OPP, will be doing their annual Torch Run. They will be in Haliburton at 11 a.m., Kinmount at 12:30 p.m. and Minden at 2 p.m. Please cheer them on and support them with donations to help with the cost of rentals, uniforms, transportation, etc.

Vacation Bible School

When: Monday July 9 to Friday July 13, 9 a.m. to noon Where: Haliburton United Church, 10 George St. Haliburton

Cost: \$5 per child for the week Who: Children ages 4 to 10

How: Contact Jan at 705-455-9195, email: jancox1@

sympatico.ca or call the church at 705-457-1891.

Website: haliburtonuc.com

Cooking classes for six weeks

When: starting July 10, 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Where: Minden Community Kitchen, 24 Newcastle, Minden Ages from 8 and up are welcome, and the children will learn basic cooking skills and get to eat what they make. Pre Registration is mandatory, just call Marilynne Lesperance at 705-286-2990. This is a joint venture of

Monsanto and the OAFB.

HALIBURTON: No-Family Doctor

Immunization Clinic

When: Wednesday, July 11, Health Unit office (191 Highland St., Unit 301) in Haliburton. Free immunization clinics for families without a doctor. To book an appointment, call the Health Unit at 1-866-888-4577, ext.

Haliburton: Sexual Health Clinic

When: Wednesday, July 11, 10:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. The clinic provides clients with confidential access to cervical screening, low-cost birth control, pregnancy testing and sexual health teaching. Testing and treatment of sexually transmitted infections are also provided. For more information, locations or to make an appointment, call the Health Unit at 1-866-888-4577, ext. 2205.

Noon Hour Recital

When: Saturday, July 14, 12 to 1 p.m.

Where: St. George's Church, 617 Mountain St. Haliburton Luba Cargill-violin accompanied by Bill Gliddon-piano Drop in for any part of the hour. Bring lunch if you wish. Admission: optional donation



Pickleball champs

District 11 mixed doubles over 65 competitors, from left, John and Donna Teravainen won bronze while Greg and Sue Pyke won gold, and Stu and Sue Buck won silver at the OSGA 55+ pickleball district competition held on Wednesday, June 13 at the S.G. Nesbitt Memorial Arena in Minden. This event included participants from all across District 11 (Haliburton/Muskoka) such as Algonquin Highlands, Haliburton, Minden, Highland Grove, Cardiff, Bracebridge, and Gravenhurst. It was organized by Stuart and Susan Buck./ Submitted by Bev Kerr



District 11 men's doubles over 65 competitors, from left, Fred Daniel and Ray Kidon won bronze while Greg Pyke and Stu Buck won gold, and Graham Hall and Ken Wettlaufer won silver at the OSGA 55+ pickleball district competition.



District 11 mixed doubles under 65 competitors, from left, Fred Daniel and Marci Mandel won bronze while Doug McKinnon and Nancy McKinnon won gold, and Mike Giza and Virginia Vranckx won silver.



Gold medal men's doubles under 65 winners, from left, Doug McKinnon and Linden Anderson beat Jim Colsno and Bryan Linnard, who were absent for the

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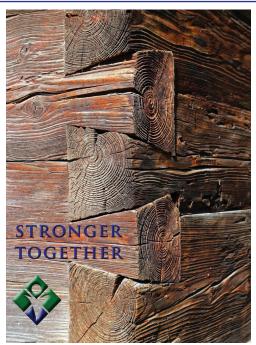
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What a racquet

District 11 women's doubles over 65 competitors, from left, Sue Buck and Sue Pyke won gold while silver was won by Denise Buchanan and Jane Adams at the OSGA 55+ pickleball district competition held on Wednesday, June 13 at the S.G. Nesbitt Memorial Arena in Minden. This event included participants from all across District 11 (Haliburton/Muskoka). It was organized by Stuart and Susan Buck./Submitted by Bev Kerr



The mixed doubles team of Donna Zaza and Del Watson won bronze at the OSGA 55+ senior summer games district event on June 19 at the Stanhope tennis courts. The District 11 (Muskoka/Haliburton) event was The mixed doubles teams of Ray Isaacs and Ilse organized by convenors Ilse Marie Tarte and Marianne Marie Tarte won silver while Al Aubry and Robin Fenninger.



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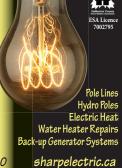
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Heritage Day at the Dorset Heritage Museum also took place over Canada Day weekend and there was lots for everyone to check out. From face painting, to arts and crafts and museum displays and a photo booth, Heritage Day did not disappoint. There was something for everyone and a great time was had by all. Visit the Dorset Heritage Museum on Facebook for lots of great photos from the day.

Just a reminder that Ironman is Sunday, July 8, and the cyclists will not be coming through Dorset this year. The water station will still be set up along Highway 117 so the athletes will be heading to Dorset from Baysville and then loop around and head back to Baysville, so both lanes of Highway 117 will be in use. Please be considerate of those involved in the triathlon and remember that it will be over by noon so if you don't need to be out on the road, stay home.

See you at the docks this Saturday for the annual Kids Fish Derby and good luck to everyone who is participating.

Happy birthday to Melissa Alfano, Andy McEachern, Joe Fuller, Ursula Bryant and Ted Hope. For birthdays and submissions please send them to burgesslt@me.com.



Fireworks lit up the night in Dorset over the weekend. The fire department is still fundraising for next year's show. /Photo by Lee Ross

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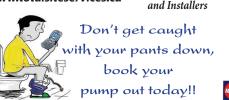
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- Minimum Qualifications:

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 - cemeteries and maintenance procedures.

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 Good understanding and experience with word processing (MS Word), spreadsheets (MS Excel) and
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 - · Strong planning/time management and organizational skills.

Preferred Qualifications:

- Post-secondary education in the fields of Recreation, Facilities and/or Parks, or a related discipline.
- Minimum of three (3) years' supervisory experience in a unionized environment.
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This is an open call for applications until the position has been filled. Qualified applicants are invited to submit a letter of application together with a detailed resume of education and experience to:

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Attention: Mark Coleman, Director of Community Services or email sprentice@mindenhills.ca

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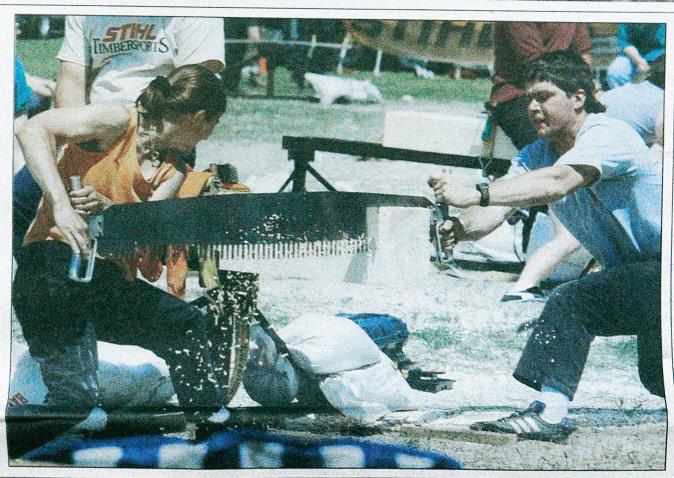






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